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Finnish link with South African art

By a Staff Reporter

FINLAND IS THE LATEST COUNTRY to have an art link with South Africa. It exists in the form of vivacious green-eyed Karin Jaroszynska, born in Finland, married to a Pole and happily settled in Johannesburg.

She will exhibit her work here in May, and in Helsinki a few months later. She also hopes to arrange for an exhibition of painting, weaving and ceramics from Finland to be brought here.

Tadeusz Jaroszynski—this is not a printer's error, a Polish husband and wife spell their names differently — came to South Africa as a child in the early days of World War II, under the refugee scheme.

His mother came from Finland and after the war he went to that country to visit his grandparents and to study art. Good things come from Finland he decided when he met and married Karin, who was also an art student.

Back in South Africa, the couple spent several years farming in Pietersburg. Karin adapted herself happily to farm life but the drought was too much for them and they packed up and came to the city with their three children and their suitcases of clothes and little else, to start again from scratch.

Tadeusz works in an office and Karin teaches art at their home in Parktown North, where three dogs and two cats have been added to the household.

They paint together in the evenings. Many of Karin's paintings are of clowns and circus scenes for she cannot stay away from a circus, and as a child it was her ambition to be in the ring. She also loves wild animals and sketching in the Kruger National Park.

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South Africa in this respect has the edge on the country of her birth, but Finland, she says, is a wonderful country for young artists. Half the proceeds of the State football pools are spent on art for public buildings and when a new project is announced the art students make it their theme.

"In every public building, even in a pharmacy, you will find a statue or a fresco," she says.

Her exhibition will open on May 17 at the Gallery 0.

Tito backs Arab claim to Aden

CAIRO, Thursday. — President Tito of Yugoslavia expressed solidarity with the United Arab Republic on the question of the "liberation" of South Arabia at a banquet here.

The South Arabia Federation consists of Aden and a number of British protectorates. Egypt's ally, The Yemen, has claimed the Federation's territory. — Sapa-Reuter.

MRS. KARIN JAROSZYNSKA with one of the circus paintings which she will exhibit at the Gallery 101, Johannesburg, in May. Karin's husband, Tadeusz, a Pole, is also an artist.

MRS. KARIN JAROSZYNSKA, who was born in Finland and married a Pole, sorts out her paintings for framing in preparation for the exhibition of her work which opens on May 17 at the Gallery 101, Johannesburg.